

Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21

Giving to the Needy

6 “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

²“So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ³ But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Prayer

⁵“And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Fasting

¹⁶“When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Treasures in Heaven

¹⁹“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Ash Wednesday

February 22, 2023

Greeting

Opening Prayer

Hymn, 402 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sermon “Lent: A Disciplined Journey” Buddy Butler

Invitation to the Lenten Discipline

Musical Offering *Lamb of God* Choir

By Twila Paris, Choral Setting by Lloyd Larson

Thanksgiving Over the Ashes

Imposition of the Ashes

Confession & Pardon, 785 Psalm 51

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Hymn, 357 *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

Benediction

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Gilbert "Buddy" Butler
Heidi Rule
Christine Dowlin



**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

Psalm 51:10-11

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